## Amendment No. 1 to SB2601

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## AMEND Senate Bill No. 2601

House Bill No. 2756\*

by deleting all language after the enacting clause and substituting instead the following:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 37-1-108, is amended by designating the current language as subsection (a) and adding the following:

(b) At the initial appearance of the parties, the court shall enter a scheduling order and set a final hearing date within six (6) months of the filing of the petition or citation.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 37-1-124, is amended by adding the following as a new subsection:

(d) The court shall hear a matter within six (6) months of the filing of the petition or citation, unless the responding party waives the requirement for the matter to be heard within six (6) months or good cause is shown. If good cause is shown, then the hearing may be continued to a date certain in accordance with the Tennessee Rules of Juvenile Practice and Procedure.

SECTION 3. This act takes effect July 1, 2022, the public welfare requiring it.